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March 5, 2013

TO:

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FROM:

Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H. Cymuq A Health Officer

SUBJECT

NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT A LETTER OF AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC

**HEALTH** 

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on April 19, 2011 to accept and execute grants and awards from federal, State, and other public and private agencies in amounts not to exceed \$100,000 per term, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept a Letter of Award from the California Department of Public Health - Tuberculosis Control Branch, for the funding period of January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013 in the amount of \$60,450. These funds will provide tuberculosis (TB) test supplies. shipping, diagnostics and test results to support the Department of Public Health's (DPH's) response to the Homeless TB Outbreak in the Skid Row/downtown area. The diagnostic test services will be used for field-based contact investigation screening of homeless persons associated with the genotype cluster of homeless TB cases. The funding supports the objectives of DPH's Incident Command System plan for responding to this outbreak among homeless persons.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the award as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer County Counsel Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors